COVID-19 Update
Alabama Department of Public Health
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Getting COVID-19 vaccine into the arms of Alabamians as quickly as possible is our goal.
ADPH is conducting clinics daily, including drive-through clinics in some counties. Limited vaccine remains the greatest challenge in Alabama and other states.

COVID-19 Cases—510,048

COVID-19 Deaths—10,391

COVID-19 Hospitalizations (as of March 17)—46,939

Currently eligible for vaccine—phase 1a, phase 1b, and people 65 years and older
The Alabama COVID-19 Vaccination Allocation Plan outlines the various phases, and is available here:
www.alabamapublichealth.gov/covid19vaccine/assets/adph-covid19-vaccination-allocation-plan.pdf

Beginning March 22, vaccine eligibility will expand to include phase 1c and people 55 years and older. The expansion to 1c includes people with high-risk medical conditions, additional critical workers, and people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Average 1st Doses of Vaccine Shipped to Alabama Per Week—110,000-115,000

Vaccine Doses Administered—1,320,774

Vaccine Doses Delivered to Alabama—1,987,025

Alabama Healthcare Providers Enrolled—1,174

Alabama Ranked Ninth in the Country in Vaccinating Most Vulnerable Citizens
A study published in the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR) March 17 issue looked at how well states in the country are vaccinating their highly vulnerable citizens. Alabama scored ninth best in the country at reaching the most vulnerable Alabamians. The complete report can be viewed here,
www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/70/wr/pdfs/mm7012e1-H.pdf

County-level COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Data Now Available on Dashboard
A new feature on the ADPH COVID-19 dashboard provides vaccination information for each of Alabama's 67 counties, including percent of Alabama residents ages 16 years or older receiving one or more doses of vaccine and the total number of doses administered in the county. To navigate, go to arcg.is/0brSGj and use the dropdown menu in the top right corner of the screen to select the county and select the "% Receiving Vaccine" tab at the bottom of the screen. Hover your mouse and click the county on the map to view the latest data in a separate window. In addition, there is now a graphical representation showing the number of vaccines administered statewide by date, beginning with December 15, on the "Doses Administered" tab. The graph indicates that March 11 was the highest day with 5,972 injections given. The hub also contains a risk indicator map and K-12 school data.

County Health Department Inclement Weather Closures
The Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) plans for management of vaccines in severe weather events. Plans include backup generators and alternative storage sites. ADPH has lost no COVID-19 vaccine as a result of yesterday's severe weather. Local county health departments that had to close to protect the safety of patients and employees rescheduled appointments for vaccines today and over the next few days.

National Guard COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics
Governor Kay Ivey has activated the Alabama National Guard (ALNG) to set up mobile sites to bring COVID-19 vaccinations to underserved and rural counties throughout Alabama. The ALNG will be working closely with the Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH), the Alabama Emergency Management Agency (AEMA), and local county Emergency Management Agency staff to provide vaccinations in the counties listed on this page. Clinic information ordered by date of first dose can be found at www.alabamapublichealth.gov/covid19vaccine/ng-clinics.html. The website also includes flyers to promote each clinic and vaccination forms that will need to be reviewed and completed prior to receiving a vaccination.

COVID-19 Vaccination Eligibility Check and Scheduling Portal Instructions
Our online portal, http://alcovidvaccine.gov, is available to help you check your eligibility for the COVID-19 vaccine and to make appointments for COVID-19 vaccinations at our county health departments. For step-by-step instructions on using the portal, a flyer is available at go.usa.gov/xsfM3